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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

LIU et al.

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(Amended)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Before the examination of the Application identified above, Applicants respectfully request the amendment of the Application as follows:

THE SPECIFICATION

Under 37 CFR 1.121(b)(3), Applicants respectfully instruct the Examiner to replace the specification. Applicants have attached a substitute specification complying with 37 CFR 1.125(b), as well as another version of the substitute specification, separate from the substitute specification, marked to show all the changes relative to the previous version of the specification. The changes are in redline and the deletions in strikeout.

THE CLAIMS

Under 37 CFR 1.121(c), Applicants amend the claims according to the attached Claim Rewriting with All Changes Included. Applicants include a Clean Version of the Entire Set of Pending Claims as well. See 37 CFR 1.121(c)(3).